

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
SHORT FORM FOR INELIGIBLE PROPERTIES

Property Name: Culvert under CSX Railroad File with District M:37-16-3
Address: Approximately 450 feet northeast of the intersection of Montrose and
Clermont Avenues
City: Garrett Park Zip Code: 20896 County: Montgomery
USGS Quadrangle(s): Kensington
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): N/A Tax Map Number: HQ341
Project: MD 547 from Kenilworth Avenue to Weymouth Street Agency: State Highway Administration
Agency Prepared By: State Highway Administration
Preparer's Name: Melissa Hess Date Prepared: 04/22/2005
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: X Eligibility not recommended
Complete if the property is a non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
Name of the District/Property: Metropolitan Branch of the Baltimore & Ohio RR
Inventory Number: M:37-16 Eligible: X yes Listed: yes

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

The culvert under the CSX Railroad is a small, masonry box culvert located in a railroad berm, which borders the neighborhood park of Porcupine Woods in the Town of Garrett Park, in Montgomery County. The CSX Railroad was formerly the Metropolitan Branch of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, which was determined eligible for the National Register of Historic Places in 2000 under Criterion A and C for its association with the transportation industry, as well as the agricultural and residential development of Montgomery County. The culvert may date to the original period of construction (1866-1873) of the Metropolitan Branch or to a period of upgrades to the railroad (1905-1907).

Constructed of stone, the culvert is a small subsurface drainage structure that does not directly carry the load of trains. The only portion of the culvert that is readily visible is an approximately two feet wide opening at the base of the railroad berm. The culvert is of a basic box design of which there are numerous extant examples and is not significant from a technological standpoint. Due to flooding of the surrounding area, the culvert is currently in a deteriorated condition and regularly clogged with debris. The culvert is an insubstantial element of the Metropolitan Branch and does not possess sufficient integrity to contribute to the railroad's significance.

The culvert does not have an association with the events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history, and is not eligible under Criterion A. The culvert is not associated with the lives of persons significant in our past and is not eligible under Criterion B. The culvert is not eligible under Criterion C, as it does not embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or represent the work of a master, or possess high artistic value. Due to its lack of technological significance, the culvert is not likely to yield information important in prehistory or history and is not eligible under Criterion D.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended Eligibility not recommended X

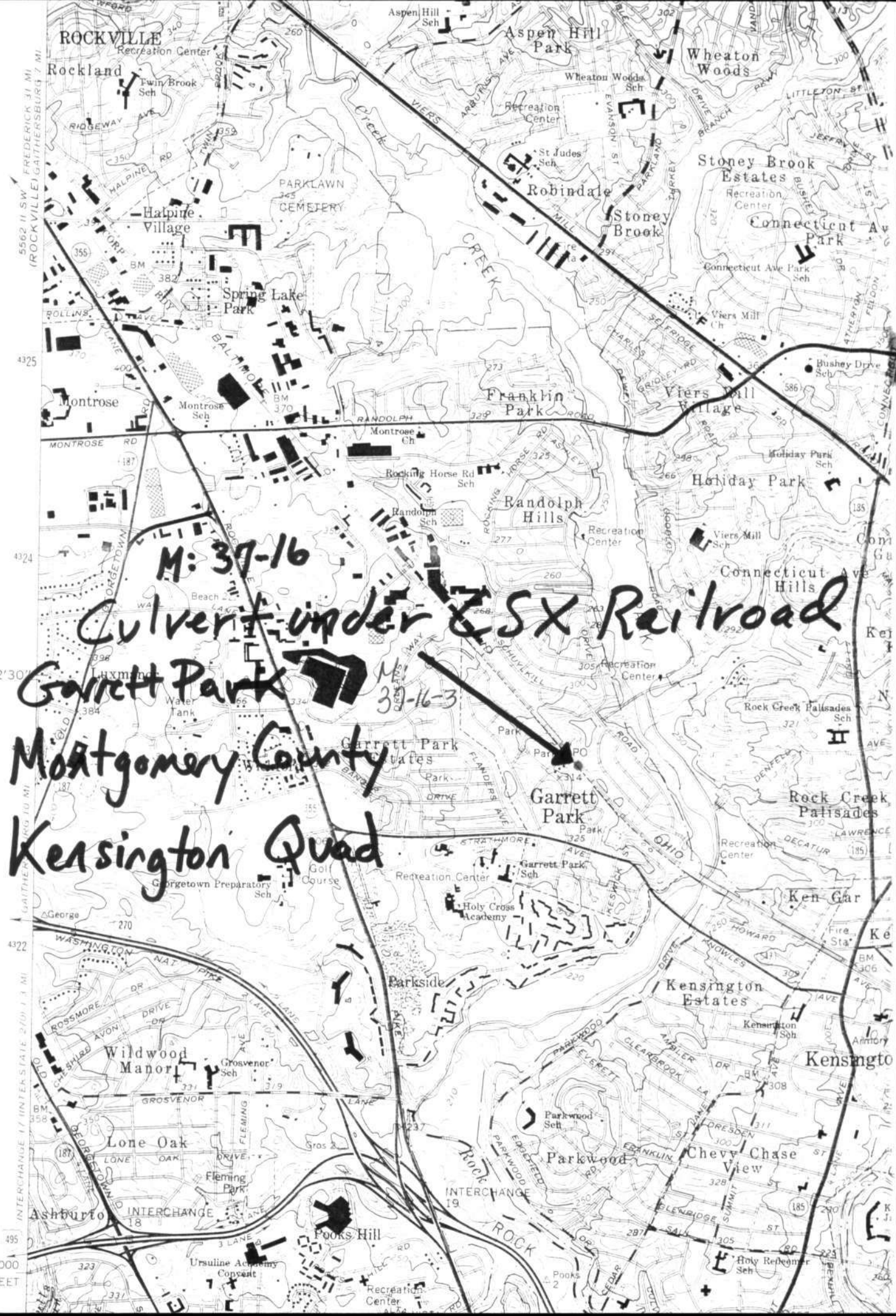
MHT Comments:

<u></u> Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	<u>6/21/05</u> Date
<u>U/A</u> Reviewer, National Register Program	<u> </u> Date



Culvert under CSX Railroad
 Garrett Park
 Montgomery County
 Kensington Quad





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Facing North, Culvert is at the bottom center of the photograph



Culvert opening